

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A method for coating thermoplastic resin beads for use in imitation pearls, the method comprising the steps of:

5 applying to 12 – 29 wt% of celluloid a surface treatment compound (A) dissolved into a mixed solution of 14 - 18 wt% of acetone, 36- 42 wt% of ethylacetate, 18 – 22 wt% of butylacetate, and 3 – 6 wt% of benzene; and

10 coating 22 – 33 wt% of the surface treated celluloid with at least one of a compound for an under coat (B), a compound for a mid coat (C) and a compound for a top coat (D), wherein the compound for the under coat (B) is prepared by dissolving 22 – 33 wt% of the celluloid into a solvent of 33 – 38 wt% of ethylacetate and 33 – 38 wt% of amylacetate and adding 1 – 5 wt% of a pigment thereto, the compound for the mid coat (C) is prepared by dissolving 22 – 33 wt% of the celluloid into a solvent of 25 – 29 wt% of ethylacetate and 40 – 44 wt% of amylacetate and adding 1 – 5 wt% of a pigment thereto, and the compound for the top coat (D) is prepared by dissolving 22 – 33 wt% of the celluloid into a solvent of 66 - 75 wt% of amylacetate and 66 – 75 wt% of ethylacetate and adding 0.1 – 1 wt% of a pigment thereto.